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For: METHOD FOR DOWN-REGULATING GDF-8 ACTIVITY USING  
IMMUNOGENIC GDF-8 ANALOGUES

LETTER REQUESTING INITIALED PTO 1449 FORM(S)

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Sir:

In reviewing the above-captioned application file upon allowance, the undersigned has noted that PTO Form 1449, submitted on January 18, 2002, was acknowledged by the Patent and Trademark Office on December 19, 2004. However, the references have not been initialed by the Examiner. No reason was given as to why they were not initialed.

A copy of each PTO Form 1449 referred to above is enclosed.

The Patent and Trademark Office therefore is requested to return the initialed form(s) to the undersigned as soon as possible.

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Respectfully submitted,

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